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SUB B¹⁷ --12. The polyacrylate jointing compound of claim 6 comprising ~~a copolymer of 85 to 98% by weight acrylate and 2 to 10% by weight acrylonitrile.~~ } NM units

--13. The polyacrylate jointing compound of claim 6 comprising one or more fatty acid esters.--

SUB B¹⁸ --14. The polyacrylate jointing compound of claim 6 comprising epoxystearic acid methyl ester.--

--15. The polyacrylate jointing compound of claim 6 wherein said fatty compounds are the only plasticizers present.--

SUB B¹⁹ --16. The polyacrylate jointing compound of claim 6 comprising ~~a copolymer of butyl acrylate and acrylonitrile.~~ } units

--17. The polyacrylate jointing compound of claim 6 comprising one or more fatty compounds selected from the group consisting of fatty acids, fatty alcohols and derivatives thereof and having a molecular weight between 300 and 1,500.--

--18. An improved method for joining a first substrate to a second substrate having a coefficient of thermal expansion or an elastic behavior which is different from that of the first substrate, the improvement comprising using the polyacrylate jointing compound of claim 6 to join the first substrate and the second substrate.--

SUB B²⁰ --19. A polyacrylate jointing compound comprised of:

(a) 10 to 60% by weight of one or more copolymers of at least one acrylate and acrylonitrile, wherein the acrylate is an ester of acrylic acid and an alcohol containing 2 to 8 carbon atoms;

(b) 0.2 to 15% by weight of one or more fatty compounds selected from the group consisting of fatty acids, fatty alcohols and derivatives thereof;

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(c) one or more additional components selected from the group consisting of fillers and pigments, in an amount not greater than 70% by weight.

(d) 0.3 to 5% by weight of one or more auxiliaries; and

(e) 5 to 20% by weight of water;

wherein said polyacrylate jointing compound is in paste form.--

-20. The polyacrylate jointing compound of claim 19 comprising a copolymer of 85 to 98% by weight acrylate and 2 to 10% by weight acrylonitrile.--

-21. The polyacrylate jointing compound of claim 19 comprising one or more fatty acid esters.--

-22. The polyacrylate jointing compound of claim 19 wherein said fatty compounds are the only plasticizers present --

-23. The polyacrylate jointing compound of claim 19 comprising a copolymer of butyl acrylate and acrylonitrile.--

-24. An improved method for joining a first substrate to a second substrate having a coefficient of thermal expansion or an elastic behavior which is different from that of the first substrate, the improvement comprising using the polyacrylate jointing compound of claim 19 to join the first substrate and the second substrate.--

-25. A process for producing the polyacrylate jointing compound of claim 6 comprising a step wherein component (b) is added to component (a).--

-26. The process of claim 25 wherein component (a) is in aqueous dispersion form.--

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to insert the section headings suggested